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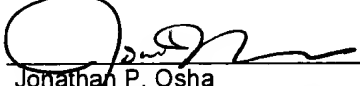
Invention: WEDGE THREAD WITH TORQUE SHOULDER

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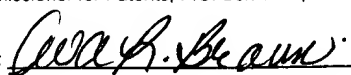

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 10, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and the included remarks. Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful review of the specification and claims.